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For: INK JET HEAD STORING
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

Japan 3-248849
Japan 7-304182

These documents were cited during prosecution of a Korean patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the Korean Search and Examination Report, which is dated January 30, 2004, is enclosed. In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a

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counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

The concise explanation of relevance for the documents cited above is provided in the Korean Search Report and by the English language abstracts included with the cited art.

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		3-248849	11/6/91	Japan			Abstract
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